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TO : Director of Training EYES ONLY

DATE: 5 May 1960

FROM : Chief, School of International
Communism and the USSR

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report No. 18
29 April - 5 May 1960

I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Our meeting with [] last Friday turned out about as we expected. He had done his homework and came prepared with two pages of comments and suggestions - the main burden of which was the recommendation that the coverage of the CPSU and non-Bloc Communist parties should be merged. His reasoning, as I gathered it, was that a CP is a CP regardless of where it may be operating, and that once having covered recruitment, training, and other activities of the CPSU one could easily analyse the status and tactics of any CP. We, of course, are in fundamental disagreement with this position and feel that the CPSU or CCP, as Communist parties in power, are really operating as governments and that the organizational and tactical problems confronting non-Bloc Communist parties are quite different, requiring a separate approach. The afternoon was spent primarily in a discussion of this particular issue. We parted amicably, but neither side was persuaded of the validity of the other's position.

Aside from this recommendation [] commented that, contrary to his initial reaction, careful study of the schedule had convinced him that the four weeks were "as well balanced" as one could hope for in such a concentrated schedule.

2. The new Chief of General Instruction at SIS, [] under whose department all of our contributions are included, apparently has some ideas about a thoroughgoing review and reorganization of the SIS course. He has suggested that I participate in this review, along with other Agency people whom he did not specify, and appeared to feel that more coverage in SIC's field was in order. You may recall that during this past year, as a result of cutting down on

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B the total course time, our section was also cut by about 25%. I suspect that we may be asked to restore this time which amounted to only two hours, but which can make the difference between a very sketchy and an adequate presentation in two of the four subjects we now handle.

3. [] had his conference with Gordon Stewart this morning, and came away feeling that this represented more of an opportunity for Mr. Stewart to air some of his own concerns rather than to listen to anything [] had to say. Since [] had no particular revolutionary suggestions to offer anyway this turned out to be an agreeable arrangement. The "15 minute" conference lasted a half-hour and I don't believe it resulted in [] having been inspired with any desire to strike for [] job.

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4. Non-Agency Presentations:

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SIS - 4 May
"Basis of Communist Thought"

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SIS - 4 May
"Development and Status of CP Organization"

SIS - 5 May
"Communist Strategy & Tactics"

SIS - 5 May
"Communist Movement Today"

5. Tutorial Training:

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